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ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.27(c) AND REQUEST FOR REFUND UNDER §1.28

Mail Stop 16 Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned hereby asserts, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.27(c), that small entity status is entitled to be asserted in this application. Small entity status should therefore be established in the application.

The applicant also hereby respectfully requests a refund of \$393.00 for the overpayment of the utility application filing fee for a large entity. The small entity fee of \$393.00 should have been submitted. This refund request is made in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.28(a) and (b). This refund request is timely filed within three